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Subject: Reclassification of Chemists

I am pleased to announce that we have received a favorable directive to fund the proposed reclassification plan that has been drafted for members of MOSES Unit 9.

This plan, six years in the making, will change the name and distinct duties currently performed by Chemists and reclassify them as Forensic Scientists.

While the approval to proceed financially is a major step forward for this plan, some work to negotiate the finer details with MOSES remains. With our combined good intentions, I fully expect a favorable outcome in the form of a new agreement to these terms. To-date, President Durant and his team have patiently worked with us to construct the framework for this plan. With their continued help, my hope is to conclude this negotiation as soon as possible.

I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to the Secretary Heffernan and her team, Undersecretary Wood, Lt. Colonel Frank Matthews, as well as other members of the MSP Administration, Mr. Jack Flynn, Ms. Shawn Givhan, Mr. Gary Murphy, who have been instrumental in getting us to this important milestone. My gratitude to Major Connolly and Mr. John Cronin and the leadership team here at the lab that have tirelessly advocated and supported the reclassification.

Investing in you and the work you do has been my highest priority.

Please stay tuned for any future notices of this important plan. In the meantime, we appreciate your patience and commitment to the work you admirably perform every day.

Guy

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